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No. 11,987. 號七十八百九千香港第 HONGKONG, THURSDAY, JULY 16th, 1896.

INTIMATIONS.

THE HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SIXTIETH ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of the COMPANY will be held in the OFFICE of the COMPANY, 65 QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, on FRIDAY, the 31st inst., at 12 o'clock NOON.

The Business of Receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend, and Ejecting Directors and Auditors.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 18th to 31st inst. inclusively.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

T. ARNOLD,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 16th July, 1896.

NOTICE.

HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LIMITED.

IN accordance with the Provisions of No. 104 of the Articles of Association, the General Managers have this Day declared an INTERNAL DIVIDEND of the Half Year ending 30th June, 1896, of Eight per Cent. upon the paid-up Capital.

DIVIDEND WARRANTS payable the HONGKONG and SHANGHAI BANK will be issued to SHAREHOLDERS on MONDAY, the 27th JULY.

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JARDINE, MATTHESON & CO., General Managers.

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NOTICE.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE CERTIFICATE No. 1389, dated 25th May, 1896, of the Ton Shares, Nos. 681/3,890, in this COMPANY, standing in the name of Mr. FRANK ARTHUR MORGAN of Peking, at present residing at Kiaukien, has been LOST, and if at the expiration of One Month from the date hereof, no other document will be forwarded, another Certificate will be issued by the Company, and thereafter no other will be acknowledged.

GEO. L. TOMLIN,
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 16th July, 1896.

TO LET.

NO. 10, CAINE ROAD, A pleasantly situated SIX-ROOMED HOUSE, having a fine view of the harbour. Very Cool.

Apply to GEO. BANKER,

49, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, 16th July, 1896.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received Instructions to Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION

TO-MORROW (FRIDAY), the 17th July, 1896,

at 2.30 p.m. at his SALES ROOM, QUEEN'S ROAD, (After the Office of the Concerned).

SUNDAY HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, TURE, &c.

Comprising—

TAPESTRY with PLUSH-COVERED DRAWING-ROOM SUITE.

BEVELLED GLASS OVERMANTEL, CHEFFONIER, PICTURES, and ORNAMENTS.

HANDSOME CARPETS and HEALTH RUGS.

HAT and UMBRELLA STAND with Bevelled Glass.

BRASS FENDER and FIRE BRASSES.

TAPESTRY with PLUSH-COVERED BEDROOM SUITE.

DOUBLE BRASS BEDSTAD.

DOUBBLE WARDROBE with Bevelled Glass Doors, MARBLETOP BUREAU with Bevelled Glass, CHEST of DRAWERS, MARBLETOP WASHSTAND, LADIES DAVENPORT, and CARD TABLES.

BLANKETS, BEDSHEETS, LACE CURTAINS.

TERMS OF SALE.—As Customary.

J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 16th July, 1896.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMoy, AND FOOCHEW.

THE Company's Steamship.

"HAITAN."

Captain Reach, will be despatched for the above ports TO-MORROW, the 17th inst., at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 16th July, 1896.

FOR SHANGHAI AND WLAUDIWO-STOCK.

THE Steamship.

"DAPHNE."

Captain J. Samuelson, will be despatched for the above ports on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd inst., at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to SIMSEN & CO.

Hongkong, 16th July, 1896.

NEW STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship.

"PYRHUS."

Captain Batt, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 27th Inst.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 16th July, 1896.

JUST LANDED or "CHINGTU."

A FINE and FRESH STOCK of Aus-TRALIAN SWINE BACON and PINEAPPLE BRAND HAMS.

Very Moderate and Special Rates for whole-sale Buyers, Hotels, Clubs, and Misses.

M. RUTONNEE,

13, D'Aguilar Street.

Hongkong, 15th July, 1896.

PERSEVERANCE LODGE OF HONGKONG, No. 1,163.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, TO-NIGHT, the 16th inst., at 8.30 for 9 p.m. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, 16th July, 1896.

WINDING UP OF BUSINESS.

MESSES. E. RICCO & CO. beg to

announce that the Sales of their remaining Stock will continue for a few days more at a

VERY GREAT REDUCTION in PRICES.

All Accounts against the firm should be settled as early as possible, and persons indebted to us are requested to make an early Settlement of their Accounts.

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THE CHRONICLE AND DIRECTORY
FOR CHINA, JAPAN, STRAITS, &c., &c.
1896,
With which is incorporated
THE CHINA DIRECTORY.

THE FORTIETH ANNUAL ISSUE,
and will be issued as usual, to show an advance
in knowledge both in fulness and accuracy

The DIRECTORY covers the whole of the
ports and cities of the Far East, from Peking to
Vladivostok, in which the Europeans reside.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

CHEMISTS BY APPOINTMENT:

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

MANUFACTURERS OF AERATED
WATERS:

OUR AERATED WATER FACTORY is fitted
with the best English Machinery, embodying
the latest improvements in the trade.

The Purist Ingredients only are used, and
the utmost Care and Cleanliness exercised in
the Manufacture throughout.

The Water used is proved by repeated
Analyses to be Absolutely Pure.

For COAST PORTS, Waters are packed and
placed on board ship at Hongkong prices, and
the full amount allowed for Packages and
Empties when received in good order.

Courtesy Order Books supplied on application.

Our Registered Telegraphic Address is
"DISPENSARY, HONGKONG";
And all signed messages addressed thus will
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The following is a List of Waters always
kept ready in Stock—

PURE AERATED WATER

SODA WATER

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LITHIA WATER

SARSAPEARILLA WATER

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GINGERADE

No Credit given for Bottles that took dirty
or greasy stains that appear to have been shed for
other than purposes than that of containing
Aerated Waters, as such Bottles are never used
again by us.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

Hongkong, 26th May, 1896.

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NOTICE TO CORRESPONDENTS.
Only communications relating to the news columns
should be forwarded to the Editor, or to the
Advertisement Department, for their transmission
with communications addressed to the Editor, not
for publication, but as evidence of good faith.
All letters for publication should be written on one
side of a sheet of paper.

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BIRTH.—At Hongkong, the wife of F. J.
FAYER, Doctor, Consul-General for the Netherlands, on the 15th inst.

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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, JULY 16TH, 1896.

I may interest the anti-opium agitators in the United Kingdom to learn that the Chinese are every year increasing the quantity of native grown opium; and that the import of foreign drug is steadily declining in consequence. No doubt they will feel much gratified by this interesting fact, but however exultant they may be over it, the victory is certainly of the Pyrrhic order. The opium smoking habit is in no wise abating in China because an increasing proportion of the supply is home grown; but there is a danger, on account of its lower cost, of the trade for the stimulant considerably extending. Of course there will be some satisfaction to the minds minded that the drug does not come from India, and they will no doubt dwell withunction on the fact that the Chinese are poisoning themselves and not being poisoned by the agency of British merchants. The Customs Returns for 1895 show that the marked falling off in the import for 1894 was not arrested in 1895, but on the contrary the decline in the trade was even more conspicuous in the latter year. The reduction is set down to the restricted production in India greatly enhancing the cost, and thus curtailing the demand, combined with the improved quality and cheapness of the native drug. Only 51,306 piculs of foreign opium (Indian, Persian, and Turkish) were imported in 1895 as compared with 63,125 piculs in 1894, showing a decline of 11,819 piculs in that year. Mr. Kerton, Statistical Secretary to the Imperial Maritime Customs, when referring to this falling off in the import of foreign opium, remarks—"By a singular coincidence this deficit corresponds closely with the total shipment—11,779 piculs—of indiopium from Chungking, in the province of Szechuen, to Hongkong last September and may be expected hereon or about the 21st inst."

The Hongkong I.C. Limited, notification dividend for the half-year ended 30th June of eight per cent., payable on the 27th July.

H.M.S. *Aspidia* came on Monday next from Singapore. The Elgar is also expected next week from the North.

The M.M. steamer *Kours*, with the next French mail, left Saigon yesterday morning, at 5 o'clock, for this port.

The D.D.R. steamer *Santa*, from Canton, left Singapore yesterday and may be expected hereon or about the 21st inst.

H.M.S. gunboat *Reindeer* arrived here from Amoy yesterday. The coolie trouble at that port appeared to be over at the time of his arrival.

It may be of interest to the sporting public to learn that Mr. Rennie has written to Mr. Graham to say that his horse *Holifax* is not likely to face the start tomorrow. The terms of the match were "Play or pay."

After leaving the hospital here, doctor, you went to Amoy. Was your visit successful?

In every way. Plague is very bad in Amoy, and I myself took charge of three thousand cases which indicated that he had unbounded confidence in his important discovery. The first question had reference to his visit to the Government Civil Hospital last month, and he stated that he was most amply received by the doctors there. Unfortunately he arrived at the institution too late, as there were no cases of plague that he could treat. A case must be tackled instantly the disease is diagnosed, because he does not pretend that his serum will cure a case two or three days old.

He is, however, still a man of great repute among the medical men of the colony.

At four o'clock this Tuesday afternoon Carl Schaeffer, son of the Danish Consul, was taken ill and a doctor was called to see him. The patient was at once removed to the Government Civil Hospital, where he died two hours after admission. The case is supposed to be one of sunstroke.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES
FROM HAMBURG, PENANG, AND
SINGAPORE.
THE Steamer

"BELLONA"
Captain v. Blaser, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to make immediate delivery of their goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 4 P.M. To-day.

Any Cargo impeding his discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Kowloon, whose delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all claims must be sent in to the office of the Undersigned before noon on the 16th inst., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 14th inst. at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

— SIEMSEN & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 9th July, 1896. [1587]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY

CONSIGNEES for Company's Steamship

"DIOMED."

are hereby notified that the Goods is being discharged, into Craft, and/or landed at the Godowns of the Undersigned; in both cases it will be at Consignee's risk and expense.

The Goods will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all claims must be sent in to the office of the Undersigned before noon on the 16th inst., or they will not be recognized.

Goods undelivered after the 18th inst. will be subject to rent. All damaged Goods must be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined at 11 A.M. on the 18th inst.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 10th July, 1896. [1584]

"BICKMERS" REGULAR LINE OF STEAMERS:

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLESEERO, ANTWERP, AND HAMBURG.

THE Company's Steamer

"ELLEN RICKMERS"

having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are to be left in the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all claims must be sent in to the Office of the Undersigned before noon on the 16th inst., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on Friday, the 17th inst., at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 1st instant will be subject to rent.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 2 P.M. To-day.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by ARNOLD, KARBERG & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 10th July, 1896. [1585]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO, AND STRAITS.

Consignees of the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the goods are landed.

This vessel is bound for Ceylon.

From London, ex s.s. "Arima".

Optional goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 4 P.M. To-day.

Goods not cleared by the 16th instant, at 4 P.M. will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

All damaged packages must be left in the Godowns and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the vessel's arrival here, after which no claims will be recognized.

H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 3rd July, 1896. [1586]

FOR SHANGHAI

"LYE MOON"

Captain G. Heumann will be despatched for the above port TO-DAY, the 16th inst., at 4 P.M.

For Freight, etc., apply to STEIMSEN & CO.

Hongkong, 14th July, 1896. [1619]

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"RAVENNA"

Consignees are requested to present all claims for damages and/or shortages not later than the 21st inst., otherwise they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 23rd inst., at 11 A.M.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHEWS & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 10th July, 1896. [1588]

GLEN LINE OF STEAM PACKETS.

FROM NEW YORK AND STRAITS.

THE Steamer

"GLENLOCHY"

having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

This vessel brings on Cargo.

From Odessa, ex s.s. "Pandora", transhipped at Port Said.

From Calcutta, ex s.s. "Daphne", transhipped at Port Said.

From Trieste, ex s.s. "Amphitrite", transhipped at Bombay.

From Venice, ex s.s. "Tibico", transhipped at Trieste.

Optional Cargo will go on to Shanghai unless notice to the contrary be given before noon TO-MORROW.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 20th instant will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SANDER & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 13th July, 1896. [1589]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM TRIESTE, VENICE, PORT SAID, SUEZ, EDINBURGH, BUNGAO, WAAI, HOODEWA, ADEN, JUMLA, CHEE, BOMBAY, COLOMBO, PEKING, AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamer

"MARQUIS BACQUEHEM"

having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, whence delivery may be obtained.

This vessel brings on Cargo.

From Odessa, ex s.s. "Pandora", transhipped at Port Said.

From Calcutta, ex s.s. "Daphne", transhipped at Port Said.

From Trieste, ex s.s. "Amphitrite", transhipped at Trieste.

Optional Cargo will go on to Shanghai unless notice to the contrary be given before noon TO-MORROW.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 20th instant will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SANDER & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 13th July, 1896. [1590]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG, AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship

"SUISANG"

having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their goods are to be delivered from alongside.

Cargo to be forwarded to the remaining port on board after Notice of the 16th inst., will be landed at Consignee's risk and expense into Godowns of East Point.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHEWS & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 14th July, 1896. [1621]

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP AND RAILROAD COMPANIES

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG, AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamer

"EVANDALE"

Captain W. Buyers, sailing at DAYLIGHT on SATURDAY, the 20th inst., will proceed to VICORIA, B.C., and TACOMA, Wash., via KOBE and YOKOHAMA.

For further Particulars, see regular Northern Pacific Advertisements.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DODWELL, CARILL & CO., General Agents.

Hongkong, 16th July, 1896. [1640]

NORTHERN PACIFIC

STEAMSHIP AND RAILROAD COMPANIES

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG, AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamer

"COCOTRA"

Rohde, Master, will load here for the above port and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.

Hongkong, 16th July, 1896. [1629]

NORTHERN PACIFIC

STEAMSHIP AND RAILROAD COMPANIES

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG, AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamer

"BALMORAL"

Captain McRitchie, will be despatched for the above port on or about the 31st instant.

For Freight, apply to NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Hongkong, 16th July, 1896. [1627]

NORTHERN PACIFIC

STEAMSHIP AND RAILROAD COMPANIES

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG, AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamer

"ISAAC REED"

Captain F. W. Webb, will load here for the above port and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to ARNOLD, KARBERG & CO.

Hongkong, 16th July, 1896. [1626]

NORTHERN PACIFIC

STEAMSHIP AND RAILROAD COMPANIES

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG, AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamer

"JULICE"

Ballard, Master, will load here for the above port and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to JARDINE, MATHEWS & CO.

Hongkong, 16th July, 1896. [1628]

NORTHERN PACIFIC

STEAMSHIP AND RAILROAD COMPANIES

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG, AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamer

"LUCILLE"

Him Kee & Co., will load here for the above port and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to JARDINE, MATHEWS & CO.

Hongkong, 16th July, 1896. [1625]

NORTHERN PACIFIC

STEAMSHIP AND RAILROAD COMPANIES

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG, AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamer

"MANUEL LLAGUNO"

Captain Small, will load here for the above port and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to ARNOLD, KARBERG & CO.

Hongkong, 16th July, 1896. [1624]